

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the paragraph on page 1, beginning at line 6, with the following replacement paragraph:

-- The invention relates to a method and a device for transferring springs into holding means of an assembler, ~~according to the preamble of patent claims 1 and 7.~~

Please DELETE the paragraph on page 2 beginning at line 37 in its entirety.

Please DELETE the paragraph on page 3, beginning at line 25 in its entirety.

Please DELETE the section heading and entire section on page 9, entitled "List of Designations" in its entirety.